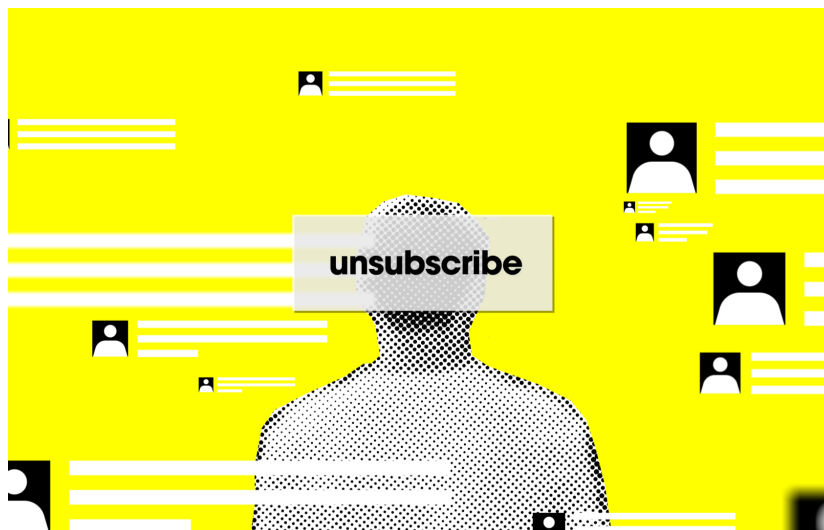


This class task is part of a resource pack available on the Educate Against Hate site with supporting far-right film and teacher guidance document:



Radicalisation is the process by which a person comes to support terrorism and extremist ideologies associated with terrorist groups. Below is a fictionalised example of how an individual could be radicalised online.

Matt is being bullied by Ahmed, a boy from his school. Luke, George and Tom are Matt's friends from football.



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Online

Matt (FR vulnerable)

SniperGod343

Offline

George

Luke

Tom



SniperGod343 7:41PM

heya, how come you didn't log in the other night?
The clan really needed you – got completely totalled like
6 times in a row.



Matt 7:41PM

Sorry! I've got a fair bit going on with messing up my mocks
and my parents are arguing a lot. THEN got into a fight at
school and had to go to the hospital so I could get a couple
of stitches over my eye.



SniperGod343 7:42PM

?? I hope you're okay! Did you get some hits in?
– you can't let em get away with that! Who was it?



Matt 7:42PM

Just some idiot called Ahmed. He's in my year and he won't
leave me alone :(



SniperGod343 7:42PM

Mate I'm really sorry. It's awful what these people are able to get
away with. Let's go play some Total Combat and you can pretend
they're all Ahmed.

SniperGod343 uses a specific event that has happened
to Matt to introduce hateful views, generalising to many
more people than actually hurt him.

He starts to make it seem like it's okay to hurt people who
are different to you, at first just in a game.



Matt 7:42PM

Ha, yeah that'll definitely improve my shooting.

In computer and video gaming, a clan is an organised
group of players that regularly play together in one or
more multiplayer games.





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Top Circle

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Online

Matt

George

Luke

Offline

SniperGod343

Erica



George 6:04PM

Hey are you coming to football later we're 2 short so REALLY need you mate.



Matt 6:04PM

no sorry I think I'm just gonna go home and play Total Combat.



George 6:04PM

Is this because of what happened with Ahmed? He isn't even gonna be there tonight.



Matt 6:05PM

I don't want to talk about it OK? I'll see you tomorrow...



Luke 10:42PM

Missed you at the match today – we lost 3-0. Could really have done with you in goal!



Matt 10:42PM

Sorry – just didn't fancy it. See you in school.





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Top Circle

Off topic

Online

Matt

SniperGod343

Offline

George

Luke

Tom



SniperGod343 6:28PM

Meeting up with a couple of the guys from the clan at the weekend – you should join us.

What would your students do if an online friend asked to meet in real life?

It'd be good to finally meet the man who has been wiping the floor with us all on kill count!

He is really complimentary to Matt about his skills making him feel good.



Matt 6:29PM

I'm not sure I'm free, meant to be playing footy this weekend.



SniperGod343 6:29PM

Is that the team with Ahmed?

How can you still be on a team with him?

If it were me, he would have gotten what's coming to him a long time ago...



Matt 6:29PM

I don't really want to but my friends really need me to play.



SniperGod343 6:29PM

they can't really be your friends if they're letting this foreigner hit you and doing nothing about it.

He tries to encourage Matt to separate from his friends who are looking out for him. He also tries to make Ahmed seem different because of his race, calling him a 'foreigner' and introducing 'them and us' type language.



Matt 6:30PM

I guess...





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Online


 Matt

 George

 Luke

 Tom

Offline

 SniperGod343



Luke 9:41PM

Needed you in goal today mate! Why couldn't you make it?'



Tom 9:43PM

I can't believe you didn't turn up again – its really not fair to everyone else you always leaving us short like this.



George 12:04PM

Why have you been blanking me?

Ever since you got in that fight with Ahmed you've been acting so weird. You can't just lock yourself in your room all weekend!





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Online

Matt

SniperGod343

Offline

George

Luke

Tom



SniperGod343 8:22AM

Here's that meme I was telling you about at the weekend – you've gotta admit its pretty spot on for Ahmed and the others.

[meme.gif](#)

Memes can sometimes be used by far-right groups as a way to spread offensive messages under the disguise of humour.



Matt 8:22AM

LOL this is hilarious!



SniperGod343 8:24AM

I'm in another chatroom where funny stuff like this is always getting shared – I can get you added if you like?



Matt 8:24AM

yeah! sounds good – are your other friends from the weekend on it as well?



SniperGod343 8:25AM

Yep and they asked for you to be added – they thought you were hilarious.

Another example of being complimentary and friendly.

An internet meme is a concept or catchphrase, usually in an image, that spreads from person to person via the internet.





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Online

Matt

George

Luke

Tom

Offline

SniperGod343



Tom 6:53PM

Mate that meme you posted on Instagram is not OK!



Luke 6:54PM

you can't seriously believe that rubbish you've just posted – it's so racist! Is this all because of your fight with Ahmed?



Matt 6:54PM

guys, its just a joke... Just because you don't get it.



Luke 6:54PM

no. it is REALLY not funny.



Matt 6:54PM

I knew you wouldn't get it – you don't know anything about this kinda stuff



George 6:55PM

wow. thanks a lot. I suppose these are the sort of jokes you're looking at instead of turning up to footy? Some friend...

What would your students do if they were worried about something a friend had posted online?





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Online

Matt

SniperGod343

Offline

George

Luke

Tom



SniperGod343 7:03PM

Shame you couldn't join us again this weekend – what happened?



Matt 7:03PM

I got grounded because my mates snitched on me about one of the memes I posted.



SniperGod343 7:05PM

They just don't get the joke – everyone is so PC these days.



Matt 7:05PM

yeah it's ridiculous – didn't expect the football guys to be so sensitive!



SniperGod343 7:06PM

You don't want to get in trouble again though so maybe just share on the boards from now on, OK? with people who can actually take a joke – lol!

He makes Matt feel like he's part of a secret club, that other people wouldn't understand.





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Online

Matt

SniperGod343

Offline

George

Luke

Tom



Matt 6:29PM

HAHA last night was great, thanks for inviting me along.



SniperGod343 6:29PM

Of course. All the guys thought you were really funny.
Btw here is that article I was telling you about.

[FACT CHECK: 5 THINGS THEY AREN'T TELLING YOU ABOUT MIGRANTS](#)

He shares articles with attention grabbing headlines that support his hateful point of view, but the articles may be biased themselves.

See! The Government doesn't care about anyone who is really British – they only care about foreigners.



Matt 6:29PM

Wow when you read this sort of stuff it's so obvious. More people need to read this!



SniperGod343 6:29PM

Yes completely agree. That's why the guys from last night are planning to march on the new multi-faith centre in town (built with our money of course!) – we need to show them they can't just ignore real British people. [Will you join us?...](#)

What would your students do in Matt's situation, or if they were asked to take part in something that made them feel uncomfortable?



Matt 6:30PM

Definitely! What do you need me to do?

Oh btw, I watched quite a few online vids after you sent me that link earlier.. check this out!

[VIDEO: WARNING GRAPHIC: Masked men attack worshippers at mosque during prayers](#)

[VIDEO: The Real Reason Why Judaism has no place in the UK](#)



SniperGod343 6:29PM

Exactly! We need to show em they can't ignore us! Meet me on the corner of Draper Street at 1pm on Saturday. Bring a mask. And a knife for protection. It might get nasty.

Now the behaviour has escalated and he is being asked to do something illegal. Often people will say they carry a knife for protection but it can actually make you more likely to get into serious danger.

